



# KEHILATH JESHURUN

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### ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE SHABBATON

**March 26th-27th**

Sponsored by Suzanne and Dr. Norman B. Javitt



*Our Guest*

**Nathan J. Diament**

*Director of Public Policy for the Union of Orthodox Congregations of America*

March 26th - Friday Evening Dinner

**"OBAMA, ISRAEL, AND THE JEWS:**

**AFTER ONE YEAR, WHAT DO WE KNOW?"**

March 27th - Shabbat Morning

**"MODERN ORTHODOXY AND POLITICS:**

**PHILOSOPHY AND PRACTICE"**

An adjunct professor at American University, where he teaches "Religion and American Public Policy & Politics," Nathan J. Diament develops and coordinates public policy research and initiatives for the OU on behalf of the traditional Jewish community. He is an honors graduate of Yeshiva University and the Harvard Law School.

Mr. Diament is the author of articles and essays on issues including religion and state, constitutional law, social policy and international affairs. He has testified before congressional committees and has worked closely with members of both political parties to craft legislation addressing religious liberty issues,

education reform, family friendly social policies and life issues. In 2009, Mr. Diament was appointed by President Obama to serve as one of twenty-five members of the President's Faith Advisory Council.

#### DINNER AND/OR LUNCH

**The Shabbat Before Passover**

**NO COOKING FOR YOU!**

*Prices are per person, per meal*

	<i>Members</i>	<i>Non-Members</i>
Adults:	\$35	\$40
Juniors (ages 12-18):	\$30	\$35
Children (ages 2-11):	\$18	\$30

### 138TH ANNUAL SYNAGOGUE MEETING

**Wednesday, April 28, 2010**

**7:30 PM**

This year's annual meeting will feature a tribute to the Davis family, celebrating their gift of music which has enriched our services for over twenty-five years. The chazzanut of Avram and Mayer Davis in the Main Synagogue and that of Ruby Davis in the Beginners High Holy Day services has always been a cherished hallmark of Kehilath Jeshurun. It is time to sing their praises.

We will also acknowledge KJ comptroller Hattie Murphy's twenty-five years of dedicated service to the synagogue. Her devotion to KJ knows no bounds. Beneath a stern exterior there lurks a compassionate heart and a dedicated colleague who is always there to help others in the eleventh hour regardless of her personal workload.

The program will also include a tribute to anniversarians, memorials to departed members, the induction of new members, and the election of new officers and trustees. The program will conclude with a supper of frankfurters, sauerkraut and ice cold beer, courtesy of Foremost Caterers.

### SPECIAL KJ/EMUNAH YOM HASHOAH PRESENTATION

An evening of tribute to the courage and achievements of the survivors of the Shoah will be held in our Main Synagogue on Sunday evening, April 11, at 7:00. Our special program, planned in conjunction with Emunah's Jossi Berger Holocaust Study Center, will begin with a candle lighting ceremony for survivors, their children and their grandchildren-- and a musical presentation by Cecelia Margules and Rami Yadid, featuring the Ramaz Middle School Chorus, the Ramaz Upper School Chamber Chorus and the Ramaz Community Chorus.

We will feature award-winning actor Tovah Feldshuh presenting an emotional excerpt from *Irena's Vow*, as recently performed on Broadway. Feldshuh will present Irena Gut Opdyke, a young Polish woman, who heroically helped a dozen Jews survive the Holocaust by hiding them in the basement of the home of her employer, a Nazi major. Ms. Feldshuh's performance on Broadway was a *tour de force*. It promises to be nothing less at KJ.

The three winners of a nationwide Holocaust essay contest will be announced and six Holocaust survivors will be honored, among them three KJ members:

Fanya Gottesfeld Heller, Henry Wilner, and Hedy and Dr. Joseph Heller, as well as Sigmund Rolat, Fran Laufer, and the Engelberg sisters.

Displayed in the KJ lobby will be artwork by Gail Hadani, who has the distinction of being the only artist featured in the Yad Vashem archives in Jerusalem who was not a victim of the Holocaust.

Those who wish to participate in KJ's meaningful candle lighting ceremony are urged to contact co-chairs Caroline Massel, Elisa Gage at [elisabgage@yahoo.com](mailto:elisabgage@yahoo.com) or Yaira Singer at 212-600-0119.

## BRENDA BERNSTEIN AND JUDY KAHN TO RECEIVE SIXTH ANNUAL JUDITH KAUFMAN HURWICH KETER TORAH AWARDS ON SHAVUOT

*The Officers and Executive Committee of the Congregation are pleased to announce that the Sixth Annual Judith Kaufman Hurwich Keter Torah Awards will be presented to Brenda Bernstein and Judy Kahn on the second day of Shavuot. The practice of conferring such awards on two women is to appropriately recognize women in our congregation on the holiday when we celebrate the lives of two great Jewish heroines, Naomi and Ruth. It offers us an opportunity, as part of a religious ceremony, to express our appreciation for the services rendered to our community by women.*

*The award is named in memory of Judith Kaufman Hurwich, the daughter of Rita and Benjamin Kaufman, of blessed memory, the mother of our member - yibadeil l'chaim - Adam Hurwich, and the grandmother of two of our finest Ramaz Alumnae. Her family continues her tradition of association with KJ and Ramaz in fostering opportunities for women to study Torah.*

### BRENDA BERNSTEIN

A long-time leader in the KJ community, Brenda Bernstein has always brought a touch of class to her every undertaking.

She and her beloved Albert have raised five Ramaz graduates, each of whom are leaders in their own communities and they regularly shep nachas from their seventeen grandchildren, ranging in age from seven months to twenty-three years.

Professionally, Brenda founded, together with fellow congregant Shirley Kagan, In the Spirit Gallery which offers one of a kind craft items which have been presented to U.S. presidents, Pope John Paul II, and many other world figures. The hand-painted reading table in the main sanctuary, dedicated in loving memory of David Kagan, together with the aron kodesh used in the yom tov auxiliary service, were created and donated by the gallery, along with numerous other items the KJ community enjoys every Shabbat and Yom Tov.

Brenda has been active in the Jewish community her entire life. Shortly after joining KJ, Brenda and the Sisterhood took over the decoration of the shul's Sukkah. Together with former member Fran Schub, the late Ady Trautman and Bea Kalb, the trio trudged down to the old Washington Market in the middle of the night to buy crates of fresh produce so that Ramaz students and Sisterhood members could participate in the mitzvah of beautifying the Sukkah. Bare walls and bamboo poles were transformed into a verdant garden.

Brenda co-founded the KJ Bikur Cholim at Sloan Kettering Memorial Hospital thirty-two years ago and remains an active participant today. Her commitment continues with her recent appointment as the KJ Representative to Partners in Caring of UJA-Federation and in her role as Sisterhood representative to the AIPAC Conference. It is a blessing for us to honor such a devoted member of our community with the Keter Torah Award.



### JUDY KAHN

Growing up in the Jewish community of Johannesburg, South Africa, Judy Kahn was raised with the notion that "there is always room for more people - all you have to do is add water to the soup!" It is a mantra that she carried with her to the United States when she emigrated here with her husband, Hirshel, so he could pursue his medical studies at Mount Sinai Hospital. Many,

many members of the KJ community have enjoyed Judy's soup-and so much more.

This commitment to helping others has defined Judy's approach to her Judaism and to every aspect of her very busy life. Those who know her well call her philosophy "Judy-ism"-the art of sharing as much of yourself as possible, while making everyone feel completely welcome and cared for.

Judy and Hirshel often tell a story about how they were welcomed to the KJ community themselves when they first arrived in New York in 1987. Feeling very distant from home and family and everything familiar, Shabbat was coming in and Judy was searching for a place to buy challah. In her search, she happened to encounter Rabbi Lookstein, who insisted Judy get in his car and he promptly drove her off to get challah. Judy has been reciprocating the favor ever since.

Starting back in South Africa, where she was active in addressing the challenging social and political environment of the time, Judy has always reached out to help, extending herself wherever she saw the need. And though she has served on committees and task forces and chaired her share of events, her greatest contribution has been far more personal-because it starts in her home. The mother of five (just as she was one of five), the walls of the Kahn home expand as necessary to accommodate her extended family-the KJ community, youth leaders, strangers. Friday nights, Shabbat lunch, chagim, Seders and more, there is always room at the Kahn table (along with many many folding chairs).

In her academic and professional life, as well, Judy has strived to give back-and has received extensive education and training to ensure her efforts are impactful and effective. She presently works

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We honor these two extraordinary women for their service to this community and to the Jewish People in general. We pray that a s God reward them both with many years of health and happiness and with much nachas from their children and, in Brenda's case, grandchildren. May they continue to serve as stellar examples of Jewish commitment and service to this entire community, which loves them and blesses them.

Dear Friends,

**Why is This Year's Passover Relief Appeal  
Different from All Other Appeals?**

*The answer is: Because this year more people are hurting and suffering than ever before in my memory.*

*This is true in the larger Jewish community, but it is also painfully true in our KJ family as well, where some former, generous donors to Passover Relief cannot pay their rent, have huge debts, and actually may have trouble putting a Seder meal on the table.*

*Yes, it is as bad as that! Maot Chitim (literally, funds for matzot) is a living reality on the Upper East Side.*

*So, of course, the KJ Benevolent Fund has to give much more generously than ever before to Met Council and to other poverty relief organizations which help the Jewish poor in New York, in Israel, and around the world. We must all support worthy causes to which we are committed, whose charitable gifts are down but whose needs are up. But we also have to help our friends and neighbors who are literally suffering now. You do not know who they are, but I do. If you knew their identity-which, of course, you cannot - you would give as never before. That's what Audrey and I will do; I hope you will, too.*

*May God respond to our generosity by blessing us all with a very Happy and Kosher Passover.*

Haskel Lookstein

*P.S. Please make your check payable to the KJ Benevolent Fund, or you can make your donation on-line at [www.ckj.org/pay](http://www.ckj.org/pay)*

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a school counselor and has a private practice in psychoanalysis and psychotherapy. Judy understands people and is drawn to helping them and having them in her life.

Extremely close to her extended and far flung family, Judy has often said that were it not for the KJ and Ramaz Community, she could not have stayed in New York with its often harsh and depersonalized existence. She describes discovering the warmth of the

community here as coming upon a hidden treasure, an oasis in the desert that has made the distance from her family less painful. Her commitment to providing that same warmth and affection to KJ in return has strengthened the community and extended to so many the benefits of "Judy-ism." It is a privilege for us to honor such an embodiment of the concept of hachnasat orchim with the Keter Torah Award.

**Men's Club Musical Salon  
February 20, 2010**



Bonnie  
Dietrich plays  
for an  
appreciative  
audience.

## PASSOVER SCHEDULE

### Sunday, March 28

Search for Chametz . . . . .after 8:00 p.m.

### Monday, March 29, Passover Eve

Morning Services -

Siyum B'chor (Firstborn) . . . . .7:00 a.m

Chametz may not be eaten after .10:55 a.m

Burn chametz no later than . . .11:58 a.m.

Candlelighting . . . . .6:59 p.m.

Evening Services . . . . .7:10 p.m.

Start Seder . . . . .after 7:53 p.m.

### Tuesday, March 30, Passover I

Morning . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .7:10 p.m.

Candlelighting/Seder . . . . .after 7:54 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 31, Passover II

Morning . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .7:10 p.m.

Conclusion of Yom Tov . . . . .7:55 p.m.

### SERVICES DURING THE WEEK OF CHOL HAMOED

### Thursday, April 1, Passover III

Morning . . . . .7:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .6:45 p.m.

### Friday, April 2, Passover IV

Morning . . . . .7:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .6:45 p.m.

Candlelighting . . . . .7:03 p.m.

### Saturday, April 3, Passover V

Morning . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .6:55 p.m.

Shabbat concludes . . . . .7:58 p.m.

### Sunday, April 4, Passover VI

Morning . . . . .8:30 a.m.

Evening . . . . .6:45 p.m.

Candle lighting . . . . .7:05 p.m.

### CONCLUDING DAYS OF PASSOVER

### Monday, April 5, Passover VII

Morning . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .7:15 p.m.

Candlelighting . . . . .after 8:01 p.m.

### Tuesday, April 6, Passover VIII

*(Yizkor is recited)*

Morning . . . . .9:00 a.m.

Evening . . . . .7:15 p.m.

Conclusion of Yom Tov . . . . .8:02 p.m.



# A PASSOVER TIMELINE

## STEP #1: Removal of Chametz – Cleaning the House

### STEP #2: Kashering Appliances

Gas ovens, both the stove-top and inside (racks as well), should be cleaned with an oven cleaner, and then not used for 24 hours. After 24 hours, invert the metal spiders and turn the burners on to the highest setting for fifteen minutes. (If using an electric oven, turn the burners on to the highest setting for fifteen minutes as well.) After this is done, cover the stovetop with aluminum foil for the duration of Pesach. The inside oven should be turned on to broil for one hour.

If the oven is self-cleaning, go through one cycle.

Microwave ovens should be cleaned, and not used for 24 hours, after which a bowl or cup containing a few ounces of water should be put in and 'cooked' until the water is vaporized into steam.

Stainless steel sinks should be cleaned with a cleaning solution, and not used for 24 hours, after which boiling water should be poured on every area of the sink and its parts. Porcelain sinks cannot be kashered. They must be cleaned and covered.

Dishwashers may be kashered for Pesach after standing unused for 24 hours. They should be put through three complete cycles, using soap in the first one.

### Kashering Utensils

While it is preferable to have as many utensils as possible specially reserved for use only on Pesach, many utensils used throughout the year may be kashered for use on Pesach. Items that are 'kasherable' include: metal utensils used for hot and cold, providing they are not difficult to clean (i.e., a sieve, parts that are glued together), and glass utensils that were used strictly for cold food.

Items that may not be kashered are: glassware that is used for cooking, earthenware, pottery, porcelain, pyrex, and chinaware.

The easiest way to kasher utensils is to bring them to the 9:00 am - noon March 21st KJ Kasher-in where Rabbi Meir Soloveichik will supervise the immersion of metal utensils in a large sink of rapidly boiling water.

It is also possible to kasher in the privacy of your own home. The procedure for kashering is as follows: Metal utensils should be thoroughly cleaned with a cleaning solution and then not used for 24 hours. Small utensils such as silverware or other cutlery should be immersed briefly in a large pot containing rapidly boiling water. If the pot is very large, more than one piece may be immersed at a time. Each piece should then be rinsed with cold water.

Pots are kashered by bringing water in them to a boil and then immersing a hot stone or iron such that the water will overflow onto the sides of the pot. Then rinse the pot in cold water. Items which came into direct contact with chametz, without the medium of water (e.g. a broiler, frying pan) may be kashered by heating them until they are literally 'redhot' or by placing them in a self-cleaning oven during the self-clean cycle.

Glass utensils should be cleaned with a cleaning solution and then immersed in water (a bathtub works) for three days, changing the water every 24 hours.

### STEP #3: The Search For Chametz

One of the most beautiful and meaningful ceremonies associated with Passover is *b'dikat chametz*—the search for chametz. The ceremony is composed of five parts.

1. Reciting a special blessing over the mitzvah of the removal of *chametz*.
2. The search of the house by the light of a candle to find vestiges of *chametz*.
3. The reciting of the formula of nullification of *chametz*.
4. The burning or disposal of any

*chametz* found during the search.

5. The reciting of a final, more inclusive formula of nullification.

The first three parts of this ceremony will be observed this year on Sunday evening, March 28, after nightfall, 8:00 p.m. The disposal should be on Monday morning, March 29. Children especially will be impressed by the ceremony. It should, therefore, be performed with enthusiasm and dedication.

The children should be asked to place pieces of *chametz* in the various rooms — a practice which ensures that the search will not be in vain. They can hold the candle and the feather and they should examine their own possessions, dressers and desks, for long forgotten relics of *chametz*.

Passover is a beautiful festival. It is a serious one, too. Both these aspects can be captured in advance of the festival by a careful observance of *b'dikat chametz*.

### Disposal of Chametz

No *chametz* may be eaten on Monday morning, March 29 after 10:55 A.M.

### STEP #4: The Sale of Chametz

The ritual sale of *chametz* must be completed by early Monday morning, March 29. There are those who prefer to perform the ritual in person. For those who cannot attend to the matter in person, there is a form provided on page 5 of this Bulletin which authorizes Rabbi Soloveichik to sell your *chametz*. THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE BY MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 29, NOT LATER THAN 8:30 A.M.

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## RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHIK TO DELIVER THE SHABBAT HA-GADOL DRASHA

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Saturday Afternoon, March 27th  
following Mincha at 6:20 p.m.

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Individuals who will be in Israel for Passover should consult the rabbis in advance to make special arrangements.

**STEP #5: The Burning of Chametz**

On Monday morning, March 29, it is customary to burn chametz. The synagogue provides a large, contained fire for this purpose. No bracha should be said, since the one said before the search applies to the burning as well.

**STEP #6: After Pesach**

According to Jewish Law, chametz that was owned by a Jew during Pesach may never be eaten by a Jew. Therefore, it is preferable that after Pesach one buys food from establishments owned by non-Jews, establishments owned by Jews who properly sold their chametz before Pesach, or after a month (time that a store's stock has been used up) from any establishment.

### DOROT PASSOVER PACKAGE DELIVERY PROGRAM

Deliver a holiday package and visit an older person. Sunday morning, March 21st, 10:00 - 12 noon, at Dorot, 171 West 85th Street near Amsterdam Avenue. Volunteers are asked to pre-register by calling Dorot at 212-769-2850.

For information about the weekly status  
of the Manhattan Eruv

Call the **ERUV HOTLINE**

**212-874-6100, ext. 452**

(Recorded Message)

**PASSOVER PREPARATIONS AT KJ:**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 21ST  
9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**

**"Kasher-in"**

**Shmurah Matzah**

**Pick-Up**

(see order form above)



**Tefillin, Mezuzah,  
and Sha'tnez Check**

**SHMURAH MATZAHS**

Kehilath Jeshurun is again pleased to offer to its membership the opportunity to purchase Shmurah Matzah through the synagogue. The Matzahs are available at \$18.00 per pound.

The pick up will be on Sunday morning, March 21st in the synagogue lobby. That is the same day as the Kasher-in: 9AM-12 PM.

**All orders must be prepaid and ordered by Thursday, March 18th.**

Make checks payable to the KJ Special Projects Fund.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ pounds of Shmurah Matzah at \$18.00 per pound.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone: (Day)** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Evening)** \_\_\_\_\_

**KJ BEGINNERS PROGRAM TO HOST COMMUNAL SEDER**

Want to experience a Seder with great food, insightful explanations, and all the trimmings? Want to be in a warm, friendly environment on Seder night? Don't want to hassle with preparing a Seder both nights? Well, have we got the answer!

Under the leadership of Rabbi Elie Weinstock, and with the sweet melodies of KJB Chazan Shilo Kramer, KJ will once again host a Seder designed and planned as a learning experience. It is intended for those who wish to understand more about the content and meaning of the Seder and how to conduct it properly. This special Seder will be held on the first night of Passover, Monday, March 29, at 8:00 PM.

The cost is \$90 per person. (Children under 3 may be seated with parents at no charge without their own meal.)

Reservations can be made by forwarding a check to the synagogue office covering all those planning to attend. The deadline for reservations is Wednesday, March 24.

**FORM FOR SALE OF CHAMETZ**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby authorize **RABBI MEIR SOLOVEICHK**, of 125 East 85th Street, City, State and County of New York, to sell, transfer and assign all *Chametz* of whatever kind and nature which I possess, or in which I may have an interest, wherever situated, in my residence at: \_\_\_\_\_ or in my place of business at: \_\_\_\_\_ or in any other place, without reservation and limitation. I further authorize him to lease all places in which chametz might be found.

If you plan to spend Passover in Israel or Europe, please check this box: ☐

If you plan to spend Passover in another US time zone, please circle below:

Central

Rocky Mountain

Pacific

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please return to the Synagogue office by Monday, March 29, at 8:30 AM.*

**KJ SISTERHOOD SAVE THE DATES****KJ ARTWALK ON 57TH STREET**

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APRIL 20TH

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THURSDAY, JUNE 3RD

**KESHER UPCOMING EVENTS**

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

PRE-PESACH CHESED EVENT

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

NEW MOM'S BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, MAY 8

SPRING LUNCHEON

**NEW FROM THE KJ MEN'S CLUB  
FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY****FILM REVIEW**

"Killing Kasztner"

The story of a Hungarian Jew who tried to rescue the last million Jews  
of Europe by negotiating face-to-face with Adolf Eichmann

Sunday, April 25, 7:00 pm

**KIDDUSH DISCUSSION***Halacha and Modernity* featuring Scott Shay  
Shabbat, May 8 at noon**KIDDUSH DISCUSSION***Communities in Italy During the Shoah* featuring Dr. Massimo Szulc  
Shabbat, May 15 at noon**AM HASEFER BOOK REVIEW**

"Mitzvah Girls"

An in-depth look into bringing up Hasidic girls in a closed community and a modern world

With Author Dr. Ayala Fader

Sunday, May 16, 7:00 pm at KJ

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Tuesday, March 23

7:00 PM

**SHAVUOT**

Tuesday, May 11

7:00 PM

**THREE WEEKS**

Tuesday, June 22

7:00 PM

**WELCOME**Kehilath Jeshurun warmly  
welcomes the following new  
members who have joined the  
Congregation between the  
printing of the last Bulletin,  
November 24, and this Bulletin,  
which went to press on March 1.Lisa and Juda Chetrit  
Carole and Arnold Feldman  
Brian Finkelstein  
Caroline and Marcelo Messer  
Shira and Allen Rubenstein  
Lisa and Ilan Sender  
Laura and Adrian Weller  
Leonore and Herbert Wolff**SPRING TIME LEARNING AT KJ****Crash Course in Basic Judaism with  
Rabbi Elie Weinstock**

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

April 13, 20

**Crash Course in Hebrew Reading  
with Sara Rosen**

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

Starting April 14

**Explorations in Hebrew Reading  
with Shilo Kramer**

Wednesdays at 7:00 pm

**Living Judaism with  
Rabbi Yossi Weiser**

Thursdays at 7:00 pm

*The "Yom's" - Shoah, Zikaron,  
Atzmaut, and Yerushalayim*  
April 15, 22, 29, May 6, 13*Introduction to Chassidische Texts*

May 27, June 3, 10, 17

**Studies in the Weekly Portion with  
Rabbi Yossi Weiser**

Thursdays at 8:00 pm

**DEDICATE**Members of the Congregation and others are invited to  
honor a friend or relative, celebrate a milestone event or  
memorialize a loved one by dedicating *Chumashim* or  
*Siddurim*.**CHUMASHIM** - \$45 each**SIDDURIM** - \$25 each

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## "YOU ARE SUCH A GENTLEMAN, . . . YOU SHOULD BE A RABBI!"

by Andrew Lobel

This is just one of the many interesting comments I have received during the past four months while volunteering at Jewish Home Lifecare (JHL), a nursing home affiliated with UJA- Federation of NY. Twice a month, I visit JHL on West 106th Street to play piano for the elderly and sick residents who live there. I play piano on the same floor every time I go, so I have come to know quite a few of the residents (despite the fact that they do not always remember who I am). I try to play a mixture of classical music, popular Jewish songs like adon olam and Hatikvah, and Jewish holiday songs. I enjoy playing for the residents because most of them like to sing along and a few even give me compliments.

At first, it was a little hard because many of the patients are very old and some a little grumpy. But, over time, I have managed to connect with them by discussing the meaning of the Jewish

holidays or talking about the lives of the different composers whose pieces I play. It took a few months, but one woman recently whispered to me that she actually sang in the Metropolitan Opera (but I am not allowed to tell anyone because the

"Give a Mitzvah Do a Mitzvah" project at UJA-Federation of New York for giving me the idea of playing piano for the residents of JHL.

In addition to doing a chesed project in connection with my bar mitzvah, I also

wanted to contribute to a good cause some of the monetary gifts I received. I was fortunate that on the Shabbat of my bar mitzvah, Mr. William Rapfogel, the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty, spoke at KJ. After listening to Mr. Rapfogel speak about the suffering of the poor and needy Jewish people who live right here in New York City, I decided to make a donation to Met Council. I hope that as I grow

older I will continue to be able to contribute to my community the way I have this year.

To create a Give a Mitzvah Do a Mitzvah project of your own, contact Brittany Wayne at 212.836.1460 or wayneb@ujafedny.org.

### KEEPING UP WITH UJA@KJ

*On Sunday, February 21, over 50 people joined "UJA at KJ" chairs Erica Schwartz and Sara Shemia to make mishloach manot packages for UJA-Federation's JASA Penn South Program for Seniors. The Jewish Association for Services for the Aged (JASA), the largest community based social service agency serving the elderly in the New York area, provides an array of social services to New York area seniors with the mission of enabling the elderly to live independently for as long as possible. Following the event, synagogue members traveled to JASA's Penn South residence in Chelsea to hand deliver the packages to residents who were delighted by the visit and the goodies.*



*April 21, 2010: Wednesday's "Lunch-and-Learn" program will be joined by seniors from Self-Help, a UJA-Federation beneficiary agency that aids victims of Nazi persecution. The program will begin at 11:00am in the Riklis Social Hall with 30 minutes of Yiddish language schmoozing, followed by the Lunch and Learn and a performance from one of the Ramaz School's choral groups.*

*April 22, 2010: Join us for the annual "UJA at KJ" Cocktail Reception at the home of Ariel and Albert Sebag, 6-8pm. Formal invitation to follow.*

*May 17: Join the UJA-Federation Families Division as we collect new towels, sun tan lotion and goggles for children grades K-8 in need of supplies for summer camp. Items can be dropped off at UJA-Federation, 130 East 59th from 4-6pm.*

*For questions or to learn more about these and other events, contact "UJA at KJ" chairs Erica Schwartz ericaschac@aol.com and Sara Shemia Sara.Shemia@PoloRalphLauren.com or Sarah Raphaely at raphaelys@ujafedny.org.*

other residents will be jealous!)

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## SHAVUOT AND TIKUN LEYL

TUESDAY NIGHT, MAY 18

Candlelighting 7:50 PM  
Evening services at 8:00 PM  
Shavuot Dinner at 9:15 PM

Opening Class at 11:30 PM  
followed by All-night Learning  
and Sunrise Minyan at 5:00 AM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19

Morning Services at 9:00 AM  
Evening Services at 6:45 PM  
Candlelighting before 8:10 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 20

Morning Services at 9:00 AM  
Evening Services at 8:00 PM  
Yom Tov ends at 8:52 PM

## SHABBAT AT KJ

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MINYAN

9:15 AM

Falk Auditorium

March 20, April 17, May 15  
& June 12

## HASHKAMA MINYAN

7:15 AM

Max. J. Etra Chapel

March 20, April 10 & 24,  
May 8 & 22, June 5

Gottesman Center

June 19

July 10 & 24, August 7 & 21

## WOMEN'S TEFILLAH GROUP

May 1, at 5:30 PM

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9:30 AM Every Shabbat  
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## INTERMEDIATE SERVICE

9:30 AM Every Shabbat  
Riklis Social Hall



# BNEI MITZVAH



**TALIA FEINGOLD**

Mazal Tov to Dr. Carolyn Hildebeitel and Orrin Feingold upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Talia, on December 28, 2009, in Tzipori, Israel, and at a Women's Tefilah at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun on January 9, at which time she read Parashat Shemot. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Marilyn and Dr. Leonard Feingold. Talia is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**ELIANA DOFT**

Mazal Tov to Suzanne and Jacob Doft upon the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Eliana Sophie on March 6th, Shabbat Parah, at the Pierre Hotel. She read the fifth chapter of Megillat Esther and delivered a Dvar Torah on the Megillah. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Arlene and Avrom Doft. Eliana is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



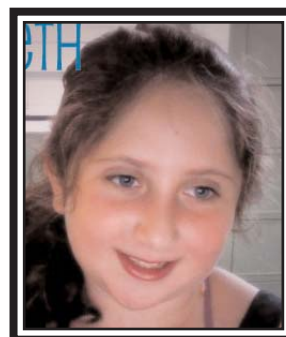
**GABRIEL ROTH**

Mazal tov to Dr. Aren Gottlieb and Dr. Ram Roth and to Phyllis Roth upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Gabriel Joseph. Hanachat Tefillin and Aliyah l'Torah took place at the Ramaz Middle School on Monday, March 8, and he will read the Torah at the Kotel on Chol haMoed Pesach, Friday, April 2. Gabriel is in the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**BENJAMIN EMMERICH**

Mazal Tov to Pamela and Adam Emmerich upon the forthcoming Bar Mitzvah of their son, Benjamin, on May 15, at Manhattan Day School. He will read Parashat Bamidbar, and deliver a Dvar Torah related to the parasha. Benjamin is in the seventh grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**ELIZABETH BIER**

Mazal Tov to Esther and Nathaniel Bier upon the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Elizabeth, on May 16 at the Park East Synagogue. She will present a Dvar Torah about Ruth, Esther and Hannah. Elizabeth is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**ADELAIDE PRESENT**

Mazal Tov to Suzy and Larry Present on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Adelaide, which will take place on Memorial Day Weekend at KJ. She will deliver a Dvar Torah related to Shabbat and Shavuot. Adie is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**ELIANA PRESENT**

Mazal Tov to Suzy and Larry Present on the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Eliana, which will take place on Memorial Day weekend at KJ. She will deliver a Dvar Torah related to Shabbat and Shavuot. Elie is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**BECKIE COHEN**

Mazal Tov to Sherry and Neil Cohen upon the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Beckie, on Sunday, June 13. She will deliver a Dvar Torah on *The Women in Tanach* and on Parashat Korach. Beckie is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.



**REBECCA SILVERMAN**

Mazal Tov to Adrian and KJ Executive Director Leonard Silverman upon the forthcoming Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Rebecca, on June 21 at the Ramaz Upper School, where she will deliver a Dvar Torah. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Donna and Arthur Silverman. Rebecca is in the sixth grade at the Ramaz Middle School.

## In Memoriam

### ISRAEL FRIEDMAN

Israel Friedman died at the age of 95. He was married to the late Nathalie Friedman, the daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein, of blessed memory. He was a father to Nathalie's four children and their spouses, and a very proud grandfather and great grandfather. Israel was a Director of a Social Service Agency in New York before his retirement. He collected doctoral dissertations on Jewish subjects and was widely considered to have the largest private collection of such dissertations. He was the eldest son of the late Boyaner Rebbe and was revered by the entire Rizhiner community for his incredible voluntary fundraising efforts on behalf of Rizhiner institutions. Nobody refused this loving man's solicitations.

His passing was a great loss to his family and to the Jewish community.

### RACHEL (RAE) GOLDMAN

A longtime member of the congregation, Rae Goldman passed away in her mid-nineties. She was a regular worshipper at Shabbat services together with her sister, *tibadeil l'chaim tovim*, Rose Simstein. The two of them always occupied the same seats in the center balcony. A generous supporter of KJ, she considered herself to be privileged to be part of our congregational family. We, in turn, considered ourselves privileged to have her as part of our community.

### MALVINE LAMPELL

She came late in life to live on the Upper East Side and she cherished her many years of association with us. A regular worshipper Shabbat after Shabbat, Mrs. Lampel was always generous to the congregation and she had many friends in the community

who respected this aristocratic, Jewish lady. A few years ago, she went to a senior residence in Monsey to be near her daughter. We missed her when she left our community and we mourn her passing now.

### HELEN ROTH

She was one of the most active women members of our congregation. Helen Roth was involved in every aspect of our community's life: A regular worshipper in shul on Shabbat, a proud parent of two Ramaz alumni, the Treasurer of the Sisterhood for many years, and present at every KJ occasion. Her husband, the late Frank Roth, was similarly involved in KJ. For many years he was the greeter in the back of the shul on Shabbat. He also was a leading personality in the KJ Men's Club. We mourn Helen Roth's passing as a cherished member of a generation that is disappearing from our midst.

### RABBI EFRY SPECTRE

We were honored to have Rabbi Spectre as a member of our congregation following his retirement from his positions in the Conservative Rabbinate. He, too, enjoyed so much his affiliation with us and his regular participation as a worshipper in our synagogue Shabbat after Shabbat, modestly occupying a seat behind the bimah and appreciating the very good feelings that all of us had for him. We mourn his passing and we extend our sympathies to the bereaved family.

### THELMA STEINBERG

The passing of Thelma Stenberg is a great loss for the Kehilath Jeshurun family. She was one of the most wonderful women in our congregation. For many years she served anonymously on the Chevra Kadisha. She was a model of a

Modern Orthodox life. She was an adored and adoring wife of Dr. Larry Steinberg, a devoted and proud grandmother, several of whose grandchildren are alumni of the school, and an active member of her community in Queens long before she ever came to KJ. Open and welcoming to all, she and Larry practiced beautiful hospitality for so many people in our community. Many of us will long remember her kindness, her chesed and her love.

### SIDNEY WEINGARTEN

He was a member of the last generation of German Orthodoxy, and forever embodied the virtues of that community: dedication to Judaism, the Jewish people and the engagement of the best that society had to offer. A proud Jew, Sidney Weingarten always quoted the Talmud that he had learned so lovingly in his youth. A dedicated and patriotic citizen of the country to which he immigrated, he served in the Air Force, flying many harrowing missions over Germany. True to his ancestry, he lived life with a quiet dignity. His primary philanthropic passion was *Reuth*, of which his mother was one of the founders, and which embodied the belief that all are entitled not merely to charity, but to a dignity of their own. He passed away right before Chanukah, but remains a radiant light in the lives of his family who loved him so much, and in the lives of so many who now live dignified lives because of him.

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## WITHIN OUR FAMILY

### BIRTHS

Mazal Tov to:

Sandy and Dr. Robert April upon the birth of a granddaughter, Cindy (Shulamit Bracha) to their children Sarah and Josh Koolyk.

Jamie and David Chubak upon the birth of their second child and first son, Benjamin Alan.

Hollace and Steve Cohen upon the birth of their first grandchild.

Lisa Sopher-Deutsch and Jeremy Deutsch upon the birth of their first child, a son. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ great-grandparents, Fay & Joshua Deutsch.

Rivka and Dov Gertzulin upon the birth of their second child and daughter, Eden Lily.

Shayna and Teddy Kahn upon the birth of their first child and daughter, Mattie Helen. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Bernice and Dr. Gilbert N. Kahn.

Abby and Joshua Kaufthal upon the birth of their second child and second son, Jack Ezra.

Sharon and Asher Levitsky upon the birth of their sixth grandchild, Brandon Scott, born to their children Amy and Joshua Levitsky.

Sandy and Dr. Norman Magid, upon the birth of their first grandchild, Eitan Avichai, born to their children, Alyssa and Eli Magid in Tel Aviv.

Janet and Jared Mann upon the birth of their first child and son, Zachary Evan. Mazal Tov as well to the proud KJ grandparents, Audrey and Jesse Rubin.

Janelle and Dr. Sheldon Pike upon the birth of their second child and second son, Jonah Leon.

Stephanie and Roman Pulver-Fichman upon the birth of their first child and son, Samuel Joseph.

Auralee and David Ring upon the birth of their first child and son, Yoel Yehuda Yosef. Mazal Tov as well to the proud, first-time KJ grandparents, Rochelle and Michael Ring.

Layalza and Rabbi Meir Soloveichik upon the birth of their fourth child and third son, Shmuel David.

Dr. Phyllis and Mark Speiser upon the birth of their second grandchild, Yoav, born to their children, Eva Amsellem and David Speiser of Jerusalem.

Emily and Michael Wirgin upon the birth of twin girls, Molly Lilah and Zoe Belle, their first children.

*May these children grow up in the finest tradition of Torah, chupah, and maasim tovim.*

### BNEI MITZVAH

Mazal Tov to:

Debbie and Dr. Shelley Senders upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son Joey. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Mazal Tov to:

Beth and Ronald Bernard upon the engagement of their daughter, Ivy, to Greg Levi, son of Dr. Adrienne Perlman and the late Alan Levi of Illinois.

Goldie and I. David Gordon upon the engagement of their son, Aaron, to Michele Leibowitz, daughter of Maydi and Nathan Leibowitz of Los Angeles, CA.

Hon. Judy and Barry Kluger upon the engagement of

their son Eric, to Katie Weinberger, daughter of Lynn Weinberger and the late Kenneth Weinberger of Akron, Ohio.

Esther and Ira Krawitz upon the engagement of their daughter, Miriam, to Aaron Levine, son of Laya and Bernard Levine of Teaneck.

Sandy and Dr. Norman Magid upon the engagement of their son, Gabi, to Ariella Eisenberg, daughter of Malka and Dr. Steven Eisenberg of Woodmere.

*May their weddings take place in happiness and blessing.*

### MARRIAGES

Mazal tov to:

Mindy and Dr. Jay Cinnamon upon the marriage of their daughter, Rebecca, to Noam Green, son of Marjorie and Gershon Green of Toronto. Mazal Tov to proud KJ grandparents Audrey and Rabbi Haskel Lookstein.

Goldie and I. David Gordon upon the forthcoming marriage of their son, Daniel, to Aviva Wilner, daughter of Dr. Moishe and Chavie Wilner of New Rochelle.

### COMMUNAL HONORS

Congratulations to:

Jay Lefkowitz, upon being honored with the Tenth Annual Gershom Mendes Seixas Award at the Columbia/Barnard Hillel Dinner on April 27.

Rabbi Elie & Dr. Naama Weinstock upon being honored with the Leslie Nelkin Special Service Award at the Annual Dinner for the National Jewish Outreach Program ("NJOP").

### PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Scott Shay, author of the acclaimed book *Getting Our Groove Back: How to Energize American Jewry*, who recently gave a two-part interview for Shalom TV, which is viewable on the internet at <http://shalomtv.org/index.htm>

Elie Hirschfeld, upon successfully completing the Israman Ironman Distance Triathlon on Jan. 29, 2010 in Eilat, Israel. The course included a 2.4 mile swim in the Red Sea, a 112 mile bicycle ride in the Negev desert and a marathon 26.2 mile run for a total of 140.6 miles.

Judy Tanz, upon her son Larry being named president of Vuguru, a new media studio founded by former Walt Disney Co. Chief Executive Michael Eisner.

Andrea Wasserman, whose details from six of her paintings, influenced by the text of the Hymn of Glory, will grace the cover of the Skirball Institute Catalog.

### CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to:

Michele Akselrod-Ifrah upon the passing of her father, David ben Aryeh.

Dr. Lawrence Bryskin, upon the passing of his mother, Florence Bryskin.

Sally Dwek, upon the passing of her mother, Vivian Rose Goldstone.

Eric Eigen, upon the passing of his father, Herman

Eigenfeld.

Alexandra Cepelowicz, upon the passing of her mother, Esther Sampson.

Andrea Roberts and Geoffrey Colvin, upon the passing of their father, Arthur Colvin, and seven weeks later, the passing of their mother, Phyllis Colvin.

Dr. Janice Korff, upon the passing of her father, Rabbi Nathan Korff., and the passing six weeks later of her mother, Helen Korff.

Susanna Kochan-Lorch, upon the passing of her father, Dr. Dennis Kochan.

Lyon Marcus, upon the passing of his mother, Ruby Edith Deckelbaum Mayle.

Evelyn Sassoon, upon the passing of her father, Murray M. Goldberger.

Bernard Scharfstein, upon the passing of his brother, Sol Scharfstein.

Naomi Sinnreich, upon the passing of her father, William Brainin.

Gerard Tugendhaft, upon the passing of his mother, Amalia Tugendhaft.

Leah Rolef Weinberg, upon the passing of her mother, Sandy Rolef.

*May they be comforted among all those who mourn for Zion and Jerusalem.*

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### SHABBAT SCHEDULE

		<i>Lighting of Candles</i>	<i>Friday Evening Services</i>	<i>Saturday Afternoon Services</i>	<i>Sabbath Ends</i>
<b>March</b>					
19-20	Vayikra	6:49 PM	6:45 PM	6:40 PM	7:43 PM
26-27	Tsav Shabbat Hagadol	6:56 PM	6:45 PM	6:20 PM	7:51 PM
<b>April</b>					
2-3	Chol HaMoed	7:03 PM	6:45 PM	6:55 PM	7:58 PM
9-10	Shemini	7:11 PM	6:45 PM	7:05 PM	8:07 PM
16-17	Tazria/Metzora	7:18 PM	6:45 PM	7:10 PM	8:15 PM
23-24	Ahare Mot/Kedoshim	7:25 PM	6:45 PM	7:20 PM	8:24 PM
30- May 1	Emor	7:33 PM	6:45 PM	7:30 PM	8:31 PM
<b>May</b>					
7-8	Behar/Behukotai	7:40 PM	6:45 PM	7:35 PM	8:38 PM
14-15	Bamidbar	7:46 PM	6:45 PM	7:40 PM	8:46 PM
21-22	Naso	7:53 PM	6:45 PM	7:50 PM	8:54 PM
28-29	Behaalotekha	7:59 PM	6:45 PM	7:55 PM	9:00 PM
<b>June</b>					
4-5	Shelah	8:04 PM	6:45 PM	8:00 PM	9:06 PM
11-12	Korah	8:08 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:10 PM
18-19	Chukkat	8:11 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:14 PM
25-26	Balak	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:15 PM
<b>July</b>					
2-3	Pinhas	8:13 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:14 PM
9-10	Mattot/Masei	8:11 PM	6:45 PM	8:05 PM	9:13 PM

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Weekday mornings.....7:30 AM    Sunday mornings.....8:30 AM  
Mondays and Thursdays.....7:15 AM    Rosh Chodesh Weekdays.....7:00 AM  
Sabbath mornings.....9:00 AM

### EVENING SERVICES

March 14-June 17 .....6:45 PM

June 20-July 15 .....6:50 PM

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Monday, March 29-Tuesday, April 6**

Passover

(See schedule on page 5)

**Wednesday-Thursday, April 14-15**

Rosh Chodesh Iyar

Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Tuesday, April 20**

Yom Ha'Atzmaut

Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Sunday, May 2**

Lag B'Omer

**Wednesday, May 12**

Yom Yerushalayim

Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Friday, May 14**

Rosh Chodesh Sivan

Morning Services at 7:00 AM

**Tuesday-Thursday, May 18-20**

Shavuot schedule on page 10

**Monday, May 31**

Memorial Day

Morning Services at 8:30 AM

**Sunday, June 13**

Rosh Chodesh Tammuz

Morning Services at 8:30 AM

**Tuesday, June 29**

Fast of 17th of Tammuz

Fast begins 4:15 AM

Morning services at 6:50 AM

Afternoon services at 8:05 PM

Fast ends 9:12 PM

**Monday, July 5**

Morning Services at 8:30 AM

**Monday, July 12**

Rosh Chodesh Av

Morning Services at 7:00 AM

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